

# Make this Kit Work for You

This kit has been designed to meet Maine Learning Results in grades 5-8 but is easily modifiable for use in other grade levels. We suggest that the lessons in this kit be worked through sequentially; however, each lesson has been developed to stand on its own and/or be infused into other classroom units.

We encourage all modifications that engage students and develop understanding. However, please evaluate any other activities you may develop (such as crafts, recreated feasts, or role playing) to make sure they do not perpetuate myths and/or cultural stereotypes.

## Check Out All of the Resources

### Background Information

Each lesson includes important background information about the subject of the lesson. Before beginning each lesson, we suggest teachers read and share this information with their students. Teachers can also reproduce the background information and distribute it to students.

Following each background essay, you will find a list of references used to compile the information, and in some cases, a bibliography of additional resources. We encourage teachers to use these valuable lists for further study.

### Biographies

Each lesson begins with a short biography of a contemporary Passamaquoddy person. These biographies give students the opportunity to learn about and appreciate Passamaquoddy people today.

Before beginning each lesson, we suggest teachers share the information aloud with students and then post the laminated versions in the classroom for students to reference during the lessons. Teachers can also reproduce the biographies to distribute to students.

### Healing Woods Video

Watching *Healing Woods* will give your students another important opportunity to learn about and appreciate Passamaquoddy life and people today. *Healing Woods* reflects and reinforces many of the key concepts taught in the kit and will make the lessons come alive for your students.

The video runs about an hour. We suggest you show this video in shorter segments, staggered throughout the course of the kit. For your convenience, we have included paragraph descriptions and the start and finish times of each 15-20 minute segment. For more information about the content in each segment, refer to the sheet titled “About Healing Woods.”

## **The Wabanakis of Maine and the Maritime Resource Book**

We suggest teachers use the lessons, activities and other information in the Wabanakis of Maine and the Maritimes resource book to supplement the primary lessons in the Passamaquoddy History and Culture kit.

### **Download this Kit**

If you do not have enough time to complete the kit or wish to build your own for future classroom use, the background information, lessons, worksheets and a list of the kit objects with purchasing information may be downloaded in PDF format from the following websites: <http://www.nps.gov/acad/> or <http://www.nps.gov/sacr>.